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Applicant:

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BIOADHESIVE NANOPARTICULATE COMPOSITIONS

HAVING CATIONIC SURFACE STABILIZERS

Application

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend this application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following claims.

98. (New) The composition of claim 14, wherein the active agent is selected from the group consisting of naproxen, cyclosporine, triamcinolone acetonide, and benzoic acid, 3,5-bis(acetylamino) 2,4,6-triodo-, 4-(ethyl-3-ethoxy-2-butenoate) ester.

99. (New) The composition of claim 51, wherein the active agent is selected from the group consisting of naproxen, cyclosporine, triamcinolone acetonide, and benzoic acid, 3,5-bis(acetylamino) 2,4,6-triodo-, 4-(ethyl-3-ethoxy-2-butenoate) ester.

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